## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below my name.

I believe that I am the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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